

Supplementary Material for:

CpG methylation differences between neurons and glia are highly conserved from mouse to human

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Link to UCSC Genome Browser including our representation of Lister & Mukamel et al.'s Bisulfite-seq data on Neuron vs. Glia methylation differences in mouse cortex:

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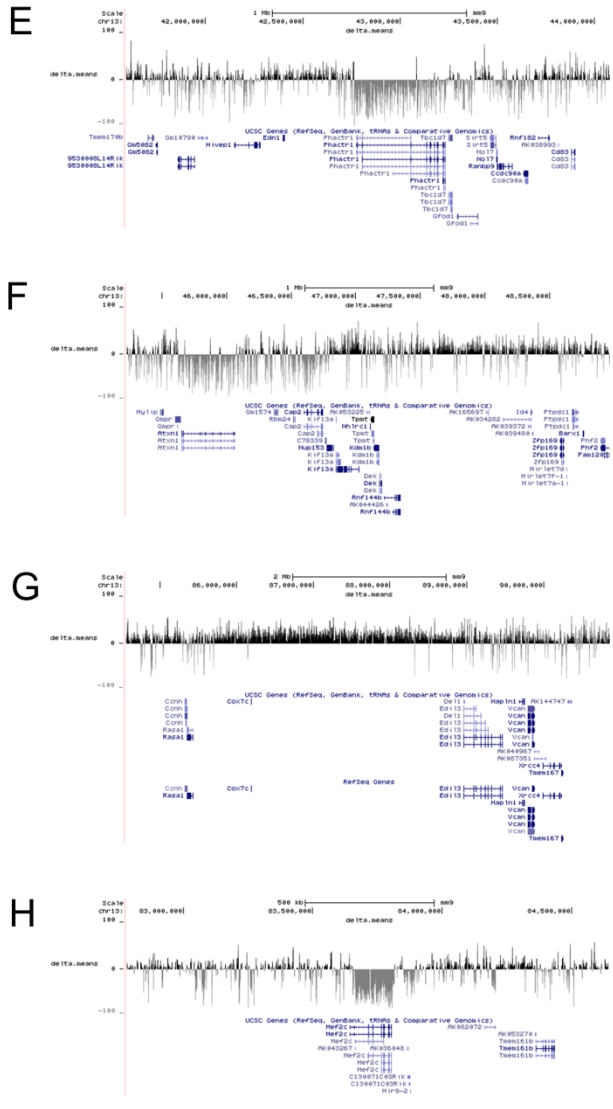
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(Supplementary Tables are included separately as an Excel file.)

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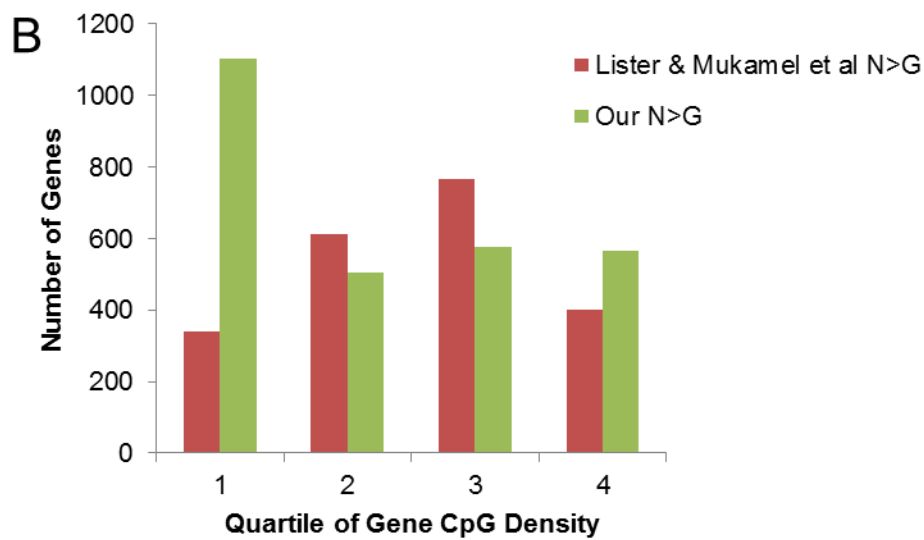
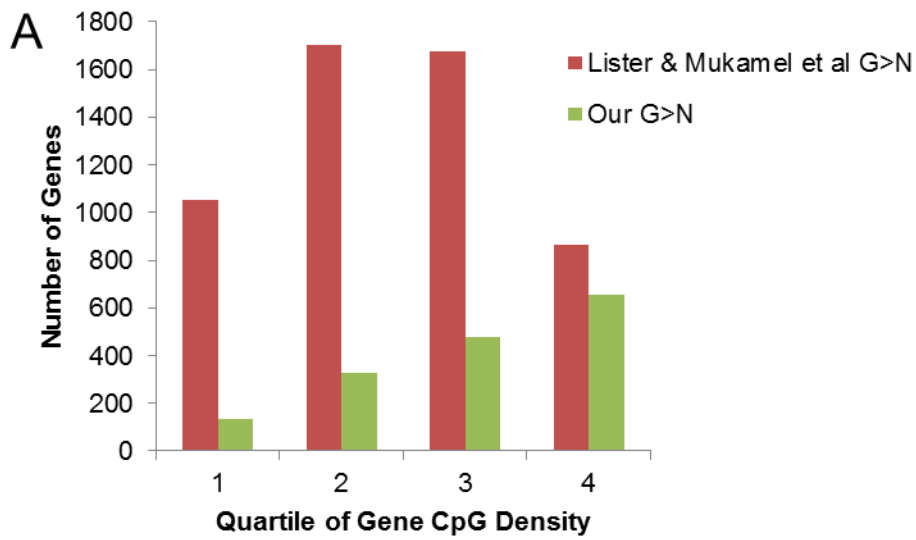


Figure S2. CpG density distributions among genes classified as differentially methylated either by Lister & Mukamel *et al.* or by our analysis. Among genes classified as either G>N (**A**) or N>G (**B**), the greatest discrepancies between the two analyses occur at genes with lower CpG density.

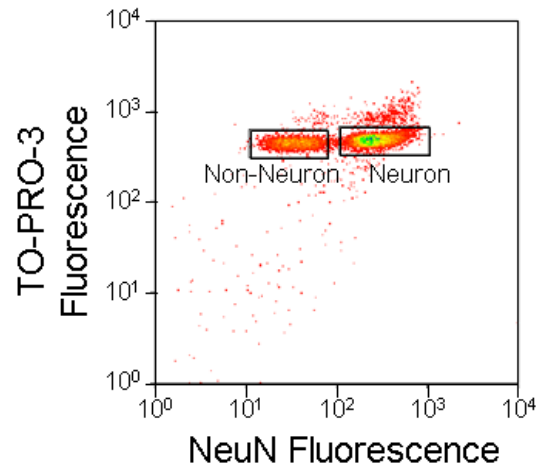


Figure S3. NeuN⁺ and NeuN⁻ nuclei were sorted well by fluorescence-activated sorting. The two rectangles represent the gates of NeuN and TO-PRO-3 levels used for sorting nuclei.

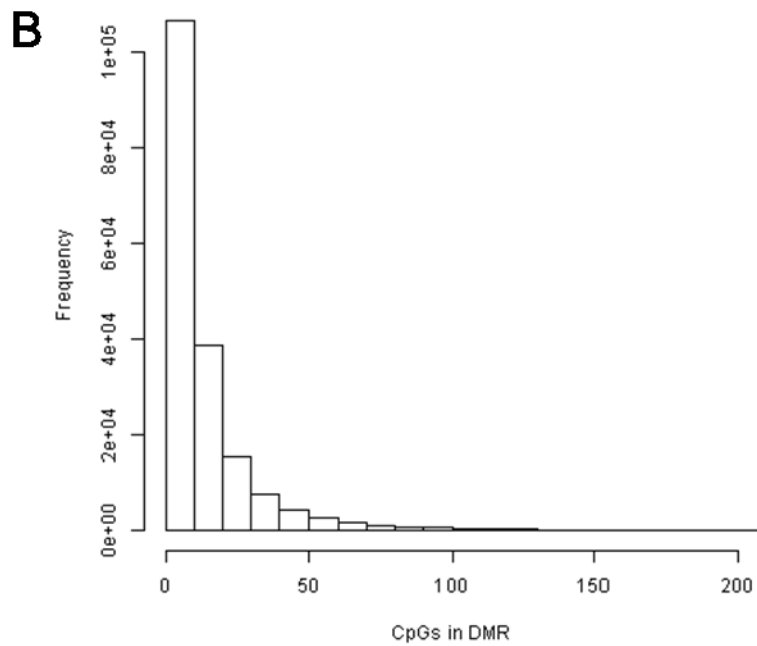
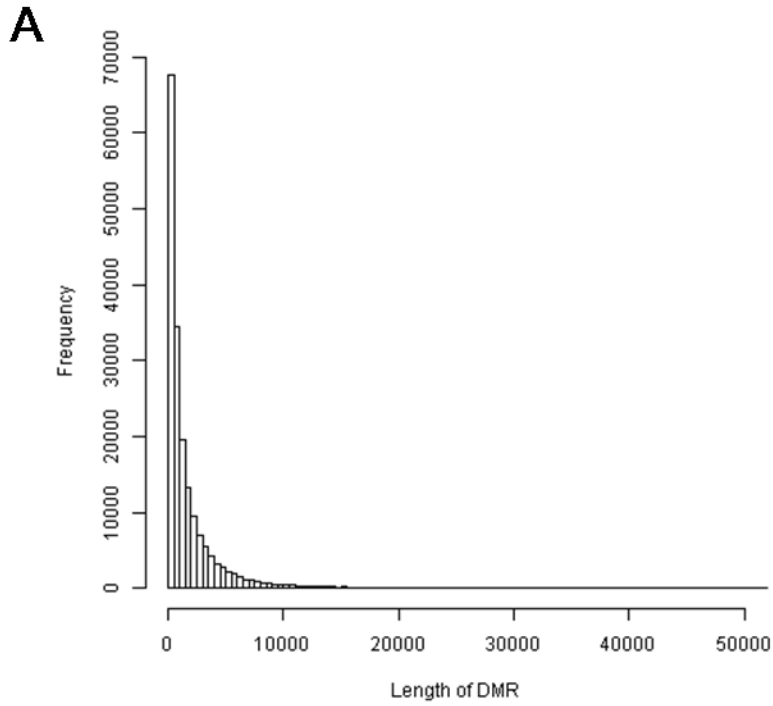


Figure S4. Size and CpG content of neuron vs. glia DMRs identified by the MOABS analysis. **(A)** Distribution of DMR size. Most DMRs are less than 20kb long. **(B)** Distribution of CpG content per DMR. Most DMRs encompass fewer than 150 CpG sites.

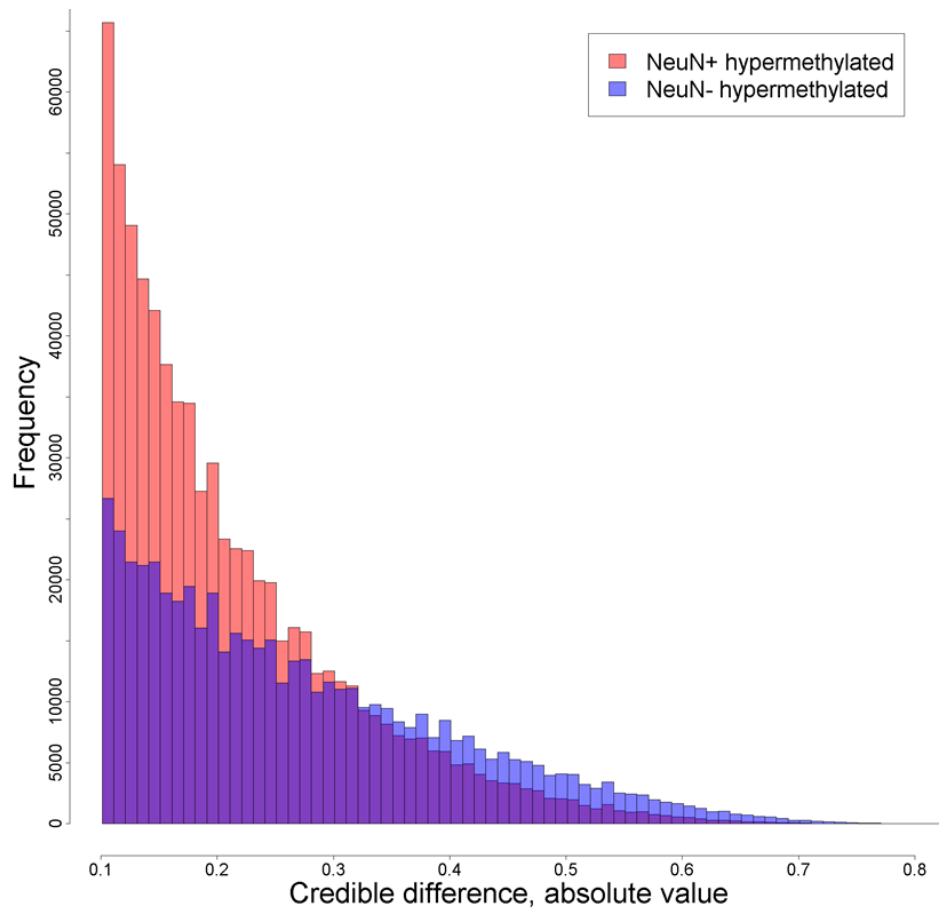


Figure S5. Distribution of credible differences in proportional methylation [$\text{abs}(\text{NeuN}^+ - \text{NeuN}^-)$] identified by the MOABS analysis. Although more DMRs indicated relative hypermethylation in neurons relative to glia (NeuN^+ hypermethylated, red) DMRs with relative hypermethylation in glia relative to neurons (NeuN^- hypermethylated, blue) tended to reflect greater cell-type differences in methylation.

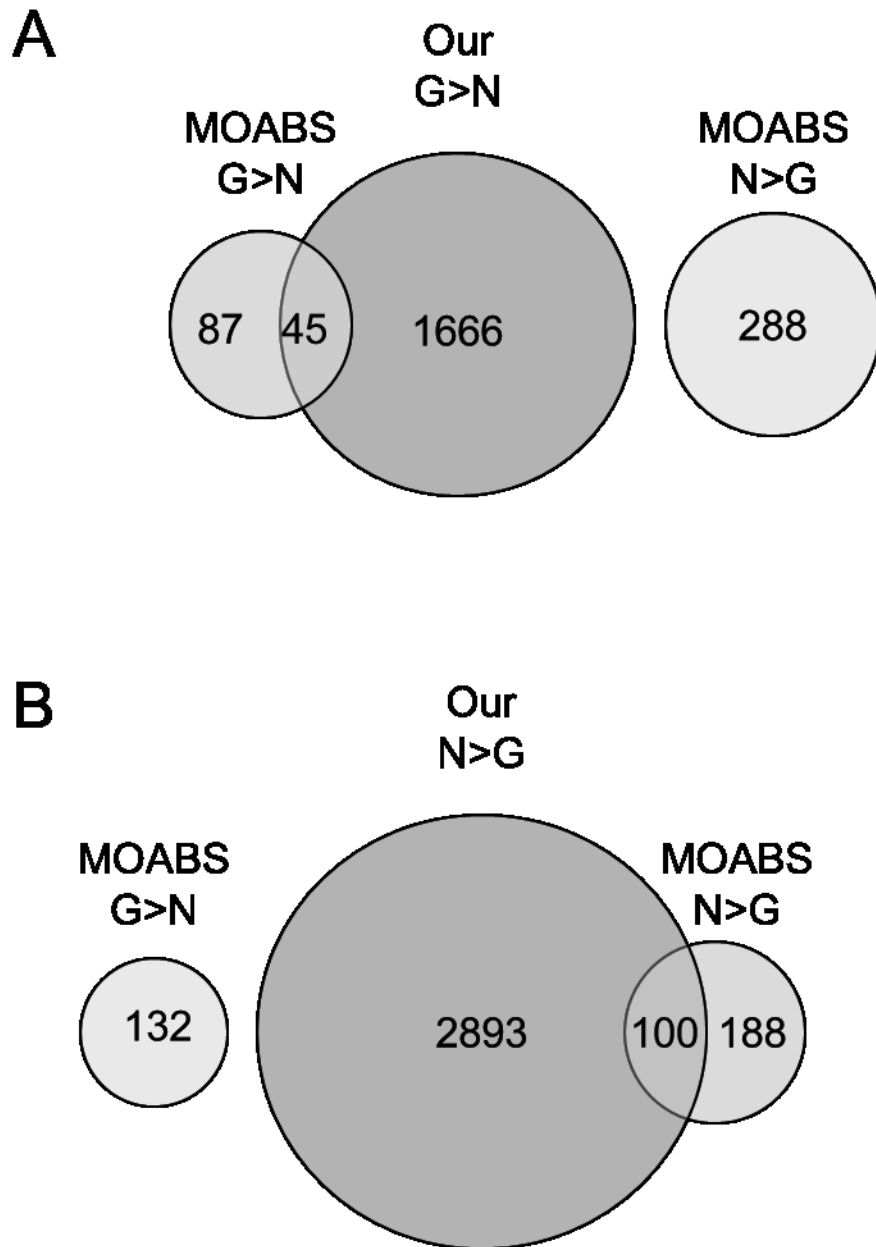


Figure S6. Comparison of genes identified as showing neuron vs. glia differential methylation by MOABS vs. our analysis. (A) Over 1/3 of the 132 genes identified as G>N by MOABS were likewise classified in our analysis. None of the 288 genes identified by MOABS as N>G were classified oppositely by our analysis. (B) Likewise, over 1/3 of the 288 genes identified as N>G by MOABS were likewise classified in our analysis. None of the 132 genes identified by MOABS as G>N were classified oppositely by our analysis.

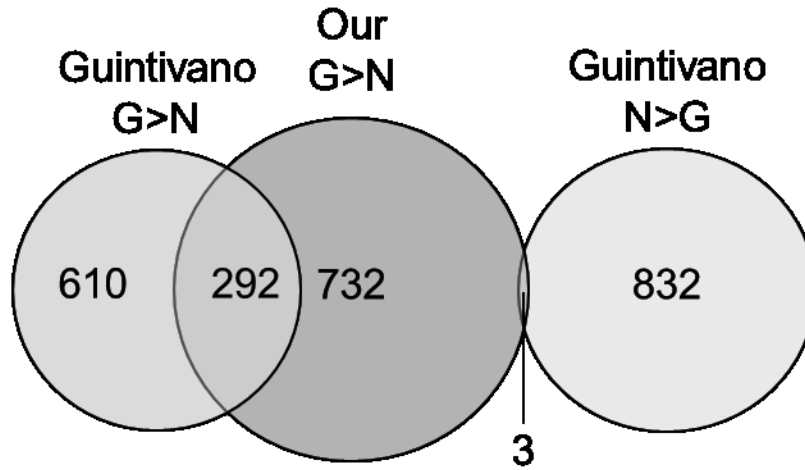
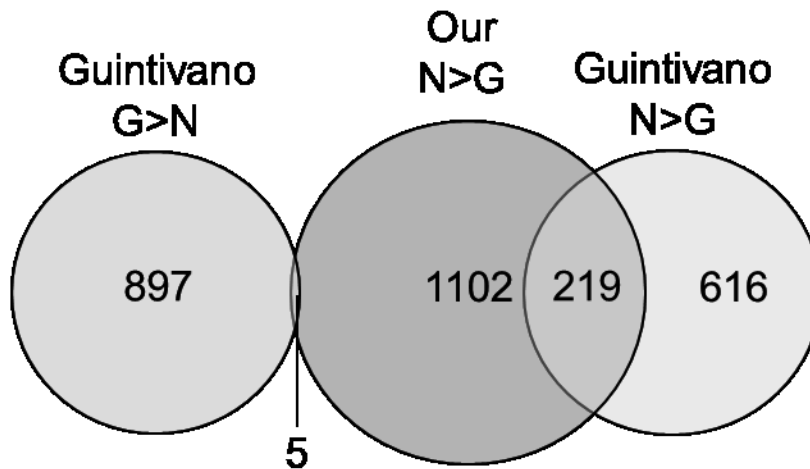
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Figure S7. Comparison of genes identified as showing neuron vs. glia differences in methylation in human cortex by Guintivano et al. vs. in our analysis of the Lister & Mukamel et al human data. (A) Nearly 1/3 of the 902 genes identified as G>N in the data of Guintivano et al. were likewise classified in our analysis of the data of Lister & Mukamel et al. Only 3 genes identified by Guintivano et al. as N>G were classified oppositely by our analysis. (B) About 1/4 of the 835 genes identified as N>G in the data of Guintivano et al. were likewise classified in our analysis. Only 5 of the 902 genes identified by Guintivano et al. as G>N were classified oppositely by our analysis.

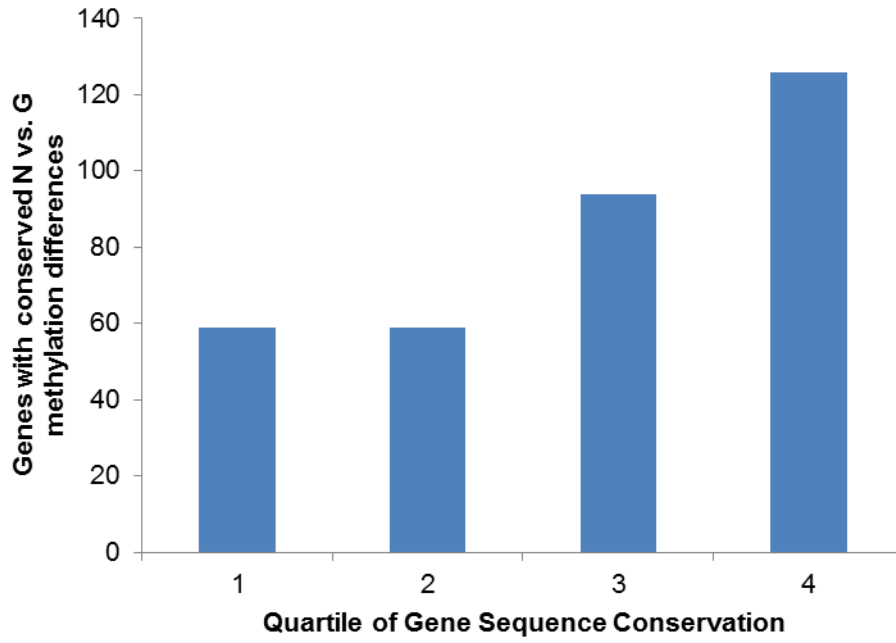


Figure S8. Conservation of gene-specific neuron vs. glia methylation differences between mouse and human cortex is associated with sequence-level conservation ($P=5.0 \times 10^{-8}$, chi-squared test).

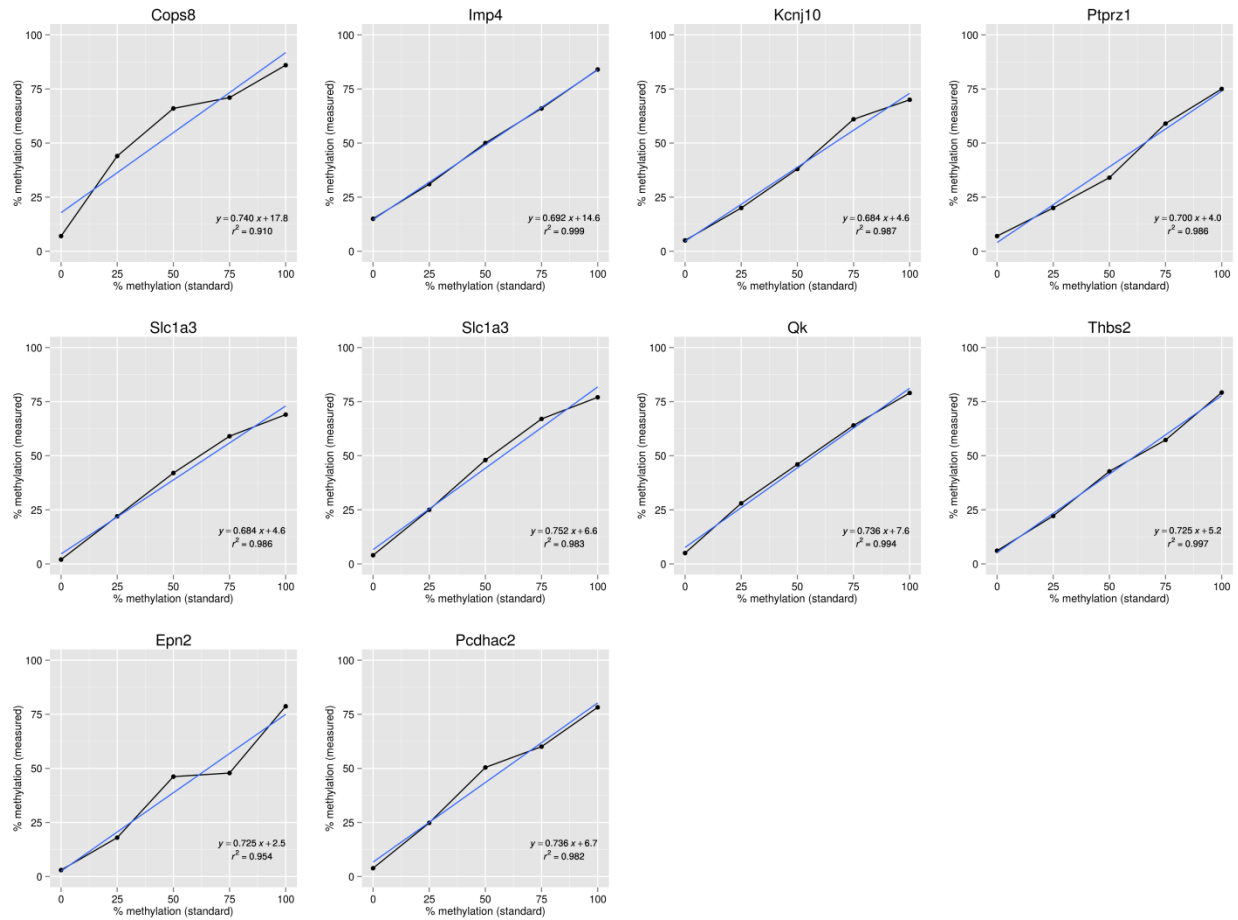


Figure S9. Pyrosequencing standards for each assay used for validation confirm the accuracy of the assays. For each of the nine genes in Figs. 3-4, standards were run on the corresponding pyrosequencing assays. The slopes, intercepts, and R² of each plot indicate that the bisulfite pyrosequencing results of these genes can be used with confidence. Note that there are two standards plots for *Slc1a3* as two separate assays were used for this gene.